



**Date:** May 3, 2017

**To:** Patrick H. West, City Manager *P.H. West*

**From:** Robert G. Luna, Chief of Police *R. Luna*

**For:** Mayor and Members of the City Council

**Subject:** 2017 First Quarter Citywide Reported Crime Statistics

### **OVERVIEW**

This memorandum has been prepared to present you with citywide crime statistics for the First Quarter of 2017. Also included are accomplishments, as well as strategies being utilized to address crime in the City of Long Beach. In comparison to the First Quarter of 2016, Total Part 1 crime showed a decrease of 8.2 percent. Violent crime saw a small increase of 0.3 percent, while property crime was down 9.9 percent. The slight uptick in violent crime was due to an increase in robberies by 3.8 percent. There were significant double digit decreases in property crimes across the board with the greatest decreases being from bike theft 43.8 percent, garage burglaries 23.5 percent, and grand thefts 18.4 percent.

### **STRATEGIES**

The Long Beach Police Department (LBPD) efforts to combat violent crime are maximized through data driven analysis of crime trends. Resources are then strategically deployed based on that analysis to have the most significant impact on crime. Collaboration and communication between detectives and front line personnel continue to enhance investigative efforts and help remove criminals from our streets. These strategic efforts have also led to 165 guns taken off the streets, with 117 of those seized as evidence in a crime.

The LBPD continues to increase outreach efforts and opportunities for community engagement including three Community Police Academies and two Community Police Dialogues. The roll out of the "Coplogic" online crime reporting system, and an updated "Go LBPD" mobile app, now make it easier than ever for community members to report criminal activity and get valuable information about the department and its operations.

Other notable accomplishments during the First Quarter include:

- One-time funding totaling \$440,500 allocated for discretionary overtime use has supported five operations this Quarter allowing police personnel to address emerging public safety issues citywide.
- In March 2017, LBPD Recruit Class 90 graduated 38 new police officers, whose training now continues in the field on patrol. Class 90 was the second of two back to back recruit classes that commenced in FY 16.

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- Patrol officers continue enforcement and outreach efforts for the homeless. Numerous subjects were contacted during Homeless Encampment Operations throughout the Quarter. Specifically, on March 9, 2017, the Quality of Life Detail assisted Los Angeles County Public Works with homeless encampment clean-ups along the 710 freeway, from Willow Street south to Ocean Boulevard. In addition, six homeless encampments were cleared out in the East Division. LBPB is working in partnership with several City departments, as well as neighboring agencies, to clear out bordering homeless camps citywide.
- LBPB personnel participated in Integrating Communications, Assessment, and Tactics (ICAT) training, a national use of force guideline offered by the Police Executive Research Forum (PERF), designed to enhance officers' ability to resolve critical incidents involving dangerous people who are not armed with firearms. Reducing the need to use deadly force, upholding the sanctity of life, building community trust, and protecting officers from physical, emotional, and legal harm are the cornerstones of ICAT.
- The Vice Section achieved the successful conviction of a defendant arrested for Human Trafficking of nine minors, ages 14 to 17. The defendant was convicted on 15 of 24 counts and sentenced to two life sentences. This investigation involved a partnership with the Los Angeles Police Department and the District Attorney's Human Trafficking Investigative Unit. These partnerships will allow LBPB to continue impacting the victimization of youth within our community.
- Gang and Violent Crime Detectives utilized forensic firearms analysis to solve several gun-related crimes. Each of the crimes involved the arrests of Long Beach gang members wanted for assault with a deadly weapon and robbery.
- In February 2017, LBPB was awarded a \$30.1 million contract, over a five-year period, to provide law enforcement services on portions of the Blue Line and platforms that are in the City's jurisdiction. Operations are expected to commence in July 2017.

### **CLOSING**

The LBPB is fully vested in the 21st Century Policing model and value of community partnerships in fighting crime. We will continue working with our community and city partners to advance procedural justice practices and policies.

It is through our joint efforts and proactive enforcement that we will be able to reduce crime and make Long Beach a safer city for all people. If you have any questions, please contact me, or my Chief of Staff, Commander Wally Hebeish, at (562) 570-7301.

### ATTACHMENT

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**LONG BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT**  
**PART I CRIMES**  
**CITYWIDE**  
**MARCH 2017**



<b>VIOLENT CRIME</b>	<b>MARCH 2017</b>				<b>YTD</b>			
	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>%</b>
Murder	2	6	-4	-66.7%	8	8	0	0.0%
Rape	19	15	4	26.7%	46	50	-4	-8.0%
Robbery	90	86	4	4.7%	301	290	11	3.8%
Agg Assault	141	113	28	24.8%	343	348	-5	-1.4%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>14.5%</b>	<b>698</b>	<b>696</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0.3%</b>

<b>PROPERTY CRIME</b>	<b>MARCH 2017</b>				<b>YTD</b>			
	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>%</b>
Res Burg	139	182	-43	-23.6%	443	516	-73	-14.1%
Garage Burg	20	31	-11	-35.5%	65	85	-20	-23.5%
Comm Burg	65	72	-7	-9.7%	215	193	22	11.4%
Auto Burg	117	188	-71	-37.8%	455	556	-101	-18.2%
Grand Theft	89	123	-34	-27.6%	298	365	-67	-18.4%
Petty Theft >\$50	40	71	-31	-43.7%	150	178	-28	-15.7%
Petty Theft <\$50	278	260	18	6.9%	792	892	-100	-11.2%
Bike Theft	21	61	-40	-65.6%	77	137	-60	-43.8%
GTA	234	220	14	6.4%	727	677	50	7.4%
Arson	17	4	13	325.0%	35	14	21	150.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,020</b>	<b>1,212</b>	<b>-192</b>	<b>-15.8%</b>	<b>3,257</b>	<b>3,613</b>	<b>-356</b>	<b>-9.9%</b>

<b>TOTAL PART I</b>	<b>MARCH 2017</b>				<b>YTD</b>			
	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>%</b>
Violent Crime	252	220	32	14.5%	698	696	2	0.3%
Property Crime	1,020	1,212	-192	-15.8%	3,257	3,613	-356	-9.9%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,272</b>	<b>1,432</b>	<b>-160</b>	<b>-11.2%</b>	<b>3,955</b>	<b>4,309</b>	<b>-354</b>	<b>-8.2%</b>